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SUPPLEMENT TO REPORT NO.

- 25X1A 1. On [REDACTED] SHIH I-sheng, Secretary General of the Philippine Kuomintang organization, was summoned by the Military Intelligence Service (MIS) of the Armed Forces of the Philippines (AFP) for questioning. MIS officials wished to investigate information indicating that SHIH has been involved with Manila Police Department officials in extortion raids on Manila Chinese, that he has given false information to Philippine investigative agencies, and that he has been engaged in collecting intelligence in Manila.¹
2. MIS officials failed on the basis of SHIH's testimony to establish that he has engaged in these activities. Although they failed to detect many untrue statements in SHIH's testimony, they plan to question him again.
3. SHIH has informed his Chinese friends that TS'AI Pin-ch'ing, a leader of the Hsueh Kan T'uan, is a mestizo rather than a Chinese.² SHIH stated that TS'AI furnishes the MIS derogatory information on members of the Manila Chinese community, and that he has recruited 40 persons to work for the MIS against the interests of the community.
4. According to SHIH's statements to other Chinese, TS'AI also is engaged in encouraging resentment against Nationalist Ambassador CH'EN Chih-ping.

- 25X1A 1. [REDACTED] Comment. Recent reports which have described the activities of SHIH I-sheng in the Manila Chinese community have included [REDACTED] (June 1951), which reported that SHIH had avoided arrest by the MIS for illegal possession of arms; [REDACTED] which reported that the MIS has considered his arrest and possible deportation; and [REDACTED] which described the internal factionalism and dissension within the Philippine Chinese community in which SHIH is a key figure.
- 25X1A 2. [REDACTED] Comment. TS'AI Pin-ch'ing is also known as Antonio CHOY, as Antonio CHUA, and as Antonio Cruz. [REDACTED] described him as a director of the Hsueh Kan T'uan and a former collaborator who controls lawless Chinese elements within the organization. According to this report, TS'AI is related by marriage to Defense Secretary Magsaysay and to other prominent Philippine officials.

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██████████ is a detailed study of the development and present position of the Hsueh Kan Tuan. ██████████ is another recent report which refers to the activities of this organization.

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